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MATERIALS DIVISION MONTHLY REPORT

3 January 1957

TO : Chief, Materials Division

FROM : Chief, Nonferrous Metals and Minerals Branch

BRANCH: M/NF

Report for the Month of December 1957

I. Accomplishments

A. Completed ORR Project 20.1788, Copper Trade of the Sino-Soviet Bloc in 1956. The manuscript was reviewed and approved by the Division Review Board.

B. Revised the Nonferrous Section of the OCI Handbook on North Korea.

C. Prepared a short statement for D/A on Ceylon's nonferrous metals and minerals position.

D. Prepared an item for the OCI Daily on aluminum production in Communist China.

E. Completed the necessary coordination on the metals and minerals section of the NIS in Czechoslovakia.

F. Revised and updated the joint CIA-State paper on the current copper situation in the Sino-Soviet Bloc.

G. Prepared an evaluation of the gain to the Free World of the East-West exchange program in scientific metallurgy for the Secretary of the IAC Ad Hoc Committee on Exchanges.

II. Plans

25X1A9a A. [REDACTED] plans to travel to ATIC, Dayton, Ohio and attend

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25X1A9a B. [REDACTED], Clerk Typist, is planning to take a training course on the operation of the electric typewriter.

III. Administration

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25X1A9a A. Because of the unexpected removal of [REDACTED] from this Branch a reorganization of the remaining personnel was necessary. We decided to eliminate the Economics Section and incorporate much of the section's functions and its Acting Chief, [REDACTED], into the USSR Section. The other member of the section, [REDACTED], was transferred to the Satellites Section. It is intended that among other things [REDACTED] 25X1A9a will continue to supervise the Branch's efforts on copper trade and will also carry on research in depth on copper in the USSR. [REDACTED] 25X1A9a primary interests will center around Hungary and Bulgaria. 25X1A9a

IV. Problems - Nothing to report.

V. Recommendations - Nothing to report.

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